

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (currently amended) An e-commerce based method for requesting information and purchasing products from a dealer through a manufacturer, the method comprising:

    sending a request for detailed dealer information to a manufacturer server system hosting a manufacturer's web site and a plurality of dealer web sites, using a client system;

    displaying real-time detailed dealer information on said client system based on said request;

    receiving said real-time detailed dealer information from said manufacturer server system; and

    accessing said real-time detailed dealer information with said manufacturer server system from a remote dealer server system via a middleware application system.

2. (original) The method of Claim 1, further including sending a quote number from said remote dealer server system with said detailed dealer information for identifying said request.

3. (original) The method of Claim 2, further including purchasing an item with said client system that further includes the steps of:

    sending said quote number to said manufacturer server system;

    sending said quote number with said manufacturer server system to said remote dealer server system via said middleware application system;

    completing said purchasing with said remote dealer server system;

    sending a confirmation number to said manufacturer server system; and

    sending said confirmation number with said manufacturer server system to said client system.

4. (original) The method of Claim 1, wherein said real-time detailed dealer information is selected from the group consisting of dealer-level inventory, pricing, and sales information.

5. (original) The method of Claim 1, further including displaying consumer personalized data received from said manufacturer server system on said client system.

6. (original) The method of Claim 5, wherein said consumer personalized data information is selected from the group consisting of weather, investments, stock portfolio, news and links.

7. (original) The method of Claim 6, wherein said news is selected from the group consisting of local, national, international and industrial.

8. (previously presented) An e-commerce based system for requesting information and purchasing products from a dealer through a manufacturer, the system comprising:

a client system;

a manufacturer server system in communication with said client system, said manufacturer server system having a middleware application system said manufacturer's server system hosting a manufacturer's web site and a plurality of dealer's web sites; and

a remote dealer server system in communication with said middleware application system to provide real-time detailed dealer information to said manufacturer server system via said middleware application system with said manufacturer server system able to send said real-time detailed dealer information to said client system for displaying.

9. (original) The system of Claim 8, wherein said remote dealer server system sends a quote number with said detailed dealer information to said manufacturer server system via said middleware application system.

10. (original) The system of Claim 9, wherein said client system purchases an item by sending said quote number to said manufacturer server system, said manufacturer server system then sends said quote number to said remote dealer server system via said middleware application system, said remote dealer server system then completes said purchase and sends a confirmation number to said manufacturer server system, said manufacturer server system then sends said confirmation number to said client system.

11. (original) The system of Claim 8, said real-time detailed dealer information is selected from the group consisting of dealer-level inventory, pricing, and sales information.

12. (original) The system of Claim 8, wherein said client system displays consumer personalized data received from said manufacturer server system.

13. (original) The system of Claim 12, wherein said consumer personalized data information is selected from the group consisting of weather, investments, stock portfolio, news and links.

14. (original) The system of Claim 13, wherein said news is selected from the group consisting of local, national, international and industrial.

15. (previously presented) An e-commerce based method for requesting information and purchasing products from a dealer through a manufacturer, the method comprising:

creating an item list using a client system;

sending said item list to a manufacturer server system, said manufacturer's server system hosting a manufacturer's web site and a plurality of dealer's web sites;

displaying real-time detailed dealer information on said client system based on said item list;

receiving said real-time detailed dealer information from said manufacturer server system; and

accessing said real-time detailed dealer information with said manufacturer server system from a remote dealer server system via a middleware application system.

16. (original) The method of Claim 15, further including sending a quote number from said remote dealer server system with said detailed dealer information to identify the items listed on said item list.

17. (original) The method of Claim 16, further including purchasing said items with said client system further including the steps of:

- sending said quote number to said manufacturer server system;
- sending said quote number with said manufacturer server system to said remote dealer server system via said middleware application system;
- completing said purchasing with said remote dealer server system;
- sending a confirmation number to said manufacturer server system; and
- sending said confirmation number with said manufacturer server system to said client system.

18. (original) The method of Claim 15, wherein said real-time detailed dealer information is selected from the group consisting of dealer-level inventory, pricing, and sales information.

19. (original) The method of Claim 15, further including displaying consumer personalized data received from said manufacturer server system on said client system.

20. (original) The method of Claim 19, wherein said client system consumer personalized data information is selected from the group consisting of weather, investments, stock portfolio, news and links.

21. (original) The method of Claim 20, wherein said news is selected from the group consisting of local, national, international and industrial.

22. (previously presented) An e-commerce based system for requesting information and purchasing products from a dealer through a manufacturer, the system comprising:

a client system for creating an item list;

a manufacturer server system for receiving said item list, said manufacturer's server system hosting a manufacturer's web site and a plurality of dealer's web sites; and

a remote dealer server system for sending real-time detailed dealer information to said manufacturer server system via a middleware application system based on said item list received from said manufacture server system via said middleware application system and said manufacturer server system for sending said real-time detailed dealer information to said client system for displaying.

23. (original) The system of Claim 22, wherein said remote dealer server system for sending a quote number to identify the item listed on said item list with said detailed dealer information to said manufacturer server system via said middleware application system.

24. (original) The system of Claim 23, wherein said client system for purchasing said item listed on said item list by sending said quote number to said manufacturer server system with said manufacturer server system then sending said quote number to said remote dealer server system via said middleware application system, said remote dealer server system then completing said purchase and sending a confirmation number to said manufacturer server system, said manufacturer server system then sending said confirmation number to said client system.

25. (original) The system of Claim 22, wherein said real-time detailed dealer information is selected from the group consisting of dealer-level inventory, pricing, and sales information.

26. (original) The system of Claim 22, wherein said client system displays consumer personalized data received from said manufacturer server system.

27. (original) The system of Claim 26, wherein said client system consumer personalized data information is selected from the group consisting of weather, investments, stock portfolio, news and links.

28. (original) The system of Claim 27, wherein said news is selected from the group consisting of local, national, international and industrial.

29. (previously withdrawn) An e-commerce based method of providing a systemization of machine parts to a consumer, said method comprising the steps of:  
collecting information from said consumer regarding a machine;  
selecting a system of machine parts from at least two available systems, wherein each of said available systems includes at least two different components of machine parts;  
selecting a component of machine parts, wherein each of said available components includes at least one group of machine parts;  
selecting a group of machine parts, and wherein each of said available systems, sections, and group are adapted to correspond to machine parts within said machine;  
and  
providing information to said consumer regarding machine parts which are included in said selected system, section, and group thereby allowing said consumer to use said systemization of machine parts.

30. (previously withdrawn) The e-commerce based method of Claim 29, wherein said step of collecting information from said consumer regarding a machine includes product, model, and configuration type.

31. (previously withdrawn) An e-commerce based method of providing a systemization of machine parts to a consumer, said method comprising:  
collecting information from said consumer regarding a machine;

selecting a system of machine parts from at least two available systems, wherein each of said available systems includes at least two different components of machine parts;

selecting a component of machine parts, wherein each of said available components includes at least two different groups of machine parts;

selecting a group of machine parts, wherein each of said available groups is comprised of at least one individual part of machine parts;

selecting an individual part of machine parts, and wherein each of said available systems, components, groups, and individual part are adapted to correspond to machine parts within said machine; and

providing information to said consumer regarding machine parts which make up said selected system, component, group, and individual part thereby allowing said consumer to use said systemization of machine parts.

32. (previously withdrawn) The e-commerce based method of Claim 31, wherein said step of collecting information from said consumer regarding a machine includes a product, model, and configuration type.

33. (previously presented) A method, as set forth in claim 2, further comprising the steps of:

sending said quote number to said manufacturer server system from said dealer server system; and

sending said quote number from said manufacturer server system to said client server system.

34. (currently amended) An e-commerce based method for requesting information and purchasing products from a dealer through a manufacturer, the method comprising:

accessing a dealer's web site from a manufacturer's web site, both web sites being located on a manufacturer server system;

sending a request for detailed dealer information to a manufacturer server system using a client system;

accessing said real-time detailed dealer information with said manufacturer server system from a remote dealer server system ~~via a middleware application system~~ via said dealer web site;

receiving said real-time detailed dealer information from said manufacturer server system; and

displaying said real-time detailed dealer information on said client system based on said request.

35. (currently amended) An e-commerce based method for requesting information and purchasing products from a dealer through a manufacturer, the method comprising:

receiving at a manufacturer server system, a request for detailed dealer information sent by a client system, said manufacturer server system hosting a manufacturer's web site and a plurality of dealer web sites;

accessing said real-time detailed dealer information with said manufacturer server system from a remote dealer server system via a middleware application system;

sending said real-time detailed dealer information from said manufacturer server system to said client system; and

displaying said real-time detailed dealer information on said client system based on said request.

36. (previously presented) A system as set forth in Claim 22, wherein said client system creates said item list in response to interacting with one of said plurality of dealer web sites located on said manufacturer server system.

37. (currently amended) An e-commerce based method for requesting information and purchasing products from a dealer through a manufacturer, the method comprising:



accessing a dealers' web site located on a manufacturer server system from a client system, via a manufacturer's web site located on said manufacturer's server system;  
~~establishing a detailed dealer information in response to said accessing said dealer's web site;~~  
sending a request for said ~~a~~ detailed dealer information from said client system to said manufacturer's server system;  
accessing said detailed dealer information with said manufacturer server system from a remote dealer server system via a middleware application system;  
sending said real-time detailed dealer information from said manufacturer server system to said client system; and  
displaying said real-time detailed dealer information on said client system based on said request.

38. (previously presented) A method, as set forth in claim 37, wherein the step of establishing detailed dealer information in response to accessing said dealer's web site further comprises the steps of:

selecting a product characteristic;  
establishing a plurality of systems in response to said product characteristic;  
selecting a desired system in response to said plurality of systems;  
establishing a plurality of parts in response to said desired system;  
selecting one or more of said plurality of parts; and  
establishing said detailed dealer information in response to said one or more selected parts.

39. (previously presented) A method, as set forth in claim 38, wherein the step of establishing a plurality of parts further comprises the step of providing an electronic link to at least one of a picture, a schematic, and a video associated with one or more of said plurality of parts.

40. (previously presented) A method, as set forth in claim 38, wherein said product characteristic includes at least one of a product type, product model, and a product configuration.